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The Examiner's attention is respectfully directed to the following U.S. Patents:

<u>Pat. No.</u>	<u>Pat. Title</u>	<u>Grant Date</u>
5,267,351	MEDIA STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL SYSTEM	Nov. 30, 1993
5,333,315	SYSTEM OF DEVICE INDEPENDENT FILE DIRECTORIES USING A TAG BETWEEN THE DIRECTORIES AND FILE DESCRIPTORS THAT MIGRATE WITH THE FILES	July 26, 1994
5,463,772	TRANSPARENT PERIPHERAL FILE SYSTEMS WITH ON-BOARD COMPRESSION, DECOMPRESSION AND SPACE MANAGEMENT	Oct. 31, 1995

Foreign Patent or Published Foreign Patent Application

Document No.	Publication Date	Country or Patent Office
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Other Documents

"AV/C Digital Interface Command Set General Specification, Version 3.0 1394 Trade Association, April 15, 1998, pgs. 20-34, 49-53.

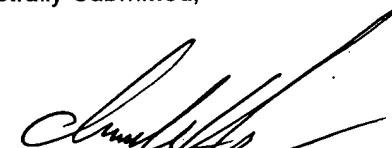
"AV/C Disc Subunit General Specification", Version 1.0 1394 Trade Association, Jan. 26, 1999, pgs. 8-53.

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